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FROM: Jason Larrison, AIA
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DATE: August 18, 2014

RE: Responses to Questions
RFI# 49031001-14-3-D1
Professional Design Services for Proposed Renovations and Addition to
777 N. Meridian Street, Indianapolis, IN

Q1: What is the selection process and who will be the audience.

A1: The selection process has been purposely left open ended so that our next steps can be selected to reflect the quality and the quantity of the responses received. For example, IDOA recently issued an RFI for Bicentennial Plaza. We received 12 responses. The initial reviewers (IDOA Deputy Commissioner Brian Renner, Public Works Director Martin Hurford, and myself) narrowed the responses down to 5. Those five responses were presented to IDOA Commissioner Jessica Robertson. The four of us selected two designers to invite in to present conceptual designs.

For this RFI, the initial responses will be reviewed by Renner, Hurford, and me, but the following steps are flexible. Aside from those mentioned previously, others that will be consulted during the process includes IDOA Deputy Commissioner Steve Harless, State Archivist Jim Corridan, and IN War Memorial Executive Director J. Stewart Goodwin.

Q2: Does the scope include providing interpretive and exhibition design services?

A2: The \$17.3million budget does not include exhibit creation and an exhibit designer is not required in responses to the RFI. It is possible that it may be added to the project as it progresses.

Q3: Will the original Master Plan from Frank B. Walker and Harry E. Weeks be available to the team?

A3: There is some question as to the original intent of the Walker and Weeks master plan. The historical narrative that IDOA possesses indicates that the panel that selected Walker and Weeks in 1923 selected a plan that included, "the main memorial (Indiana World War Memorial), two auxiliary buildings (777 N. Meridian Street and another), the Cenotaph, the Mall, and Obelisk Square." The c. 1930 photo (included) shows that the walkways through American Legion Mall included an outline of a second building opposite of 777 N. Meridian Street. However, the State Archives possesses an image of American Legion Mall that included 4 identical buildings (included). The image is undated and unsigned but believed to be circa 1920.

In 1944, architect Carl Britsch created a plan for the expanding American Legion that included the current National Headquarters building at 700 N. Pennsylvania and a never-built "Building D" that was to be identical and adjacent to 777 N. Meridian Street. There is a concept model in the museum that illustrates the concept (photo included).



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Q4: Is IDOA expecting the addition to 777 N. Meridian Street to be identical to the original building or mirror the opposite building at 700 N. Pennsylvania Street?

A4: No, IDOA is not expecting an identical building. IDOA expects that the addition will be complimentary to the historic site and respect the balance created and/or intended along the north-south axis of the property. The addition will have to be approved by the State Historic Preservation Review Board and allow the property to maintain its historic designations from the Department of the Interior.

Q5: Will the design team be responsible for environmental issues and abatement?

A5: While the selected team will need to work and coordinate with the environmental engineer, the environmental and abatement issues will be contracted separately.

Q6: Is the current War Memorial Commission space being relocated from the War Memorial into this facility? If not, what would be different about this space from what exists in the War Memorial?

A6: The War Memorial administrative offices, maintenance facility, and most exhibits will remain at the War Memorial. It is anticipated that the War Memorial will have archival and preservation lab space within or in addition to those identified by the State Archivist. In addition, there is consideration for an exhibit space that is jointly used by the War Memorials Commission and the State Archivist.

Q7: What is included in the \$17.3million construction budget?

A7: The cost of environmental abatement, equipment related to the archival vault (temperature and humidity controls, essentially), and security equipment will be within the budget, but not FFE, design fees, exhibits, or lab equipment.

Q8: Who attended the walk-through on Monday, August 11?

A8: Attendees were (apologies for misspellings and typographical mistakes):

Moody-Nolan: Marrin Hitchcock, Anjanette Sivilich, Jim Kienle

Ross and Baruzzini: Andre Maue

Synthesis: Jenelle Smagala, Bruce Anderson, Jim Guidroz

Browning Day Mullins Dierdorf: Larry Roan, Johnathan Hess

One Ten Studio: Clete Kunce, Patrick Kestner

Core Planning: Deb Kunce, Bonnie Coghlan

krM Architecture: Kevin Montgomery

Historic Preservation and Heritage Consulting: James A. Glass

WJE: Logan Cook

Schmidt Associates: Eric Broemel, Sarah Hempstead, Wayne S. Schmidt, Kevin Shelly

Applied Engineering: Tim Anderson

R.E. Dimond: John Haley

Ratio Architects: Bill Browne, Chris Boardman

Arsee Engineers: Bryan Willson



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CSO Architects: Joe Raper, Tim Jeffers
EMH&T: Paula Gartner
American Structurepoint: Jared Plank, David Kuehnen
Enverity Engineering: Karen Courtney, Ross Maue
Architura: Michael Conly, Lora Teagarden

As a reminder, attendance on August 11 was not a requirement and other firms and individuals may submit responses to the RFI.

Q9: Does IDOA want to see or entertain design ideas in the submission?

A9: Design ideas and concepts ideas are not required in this submission, but I do suggest a demonstration that you understand the needs as listed in the RFI, that you understand the site in question, and how you go about your design process. That is not to say that you could not include concepts or charrette-style thoughts as a demonstration of your teams thoughts and abilities. Whatever you include in your submission, it should be your best argument for why your team should be selected.

REMINDER:

Firms interested in providing these services to the IDOA should submit five printed copies and a digital copy of their written proposal to:

Indiana Department of Administration, Public Works Division
Attn: Jason Larrison, AIA, State Architect
402 West Washington Street, Room W467
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Proposals must be received no later than 12:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight-Saving Time on August 29, 2014. The outside of the envelope should be clearly marked: "RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR INFORMATION"



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Circa 1930 photo of American Legion Mall and Obelisk Square

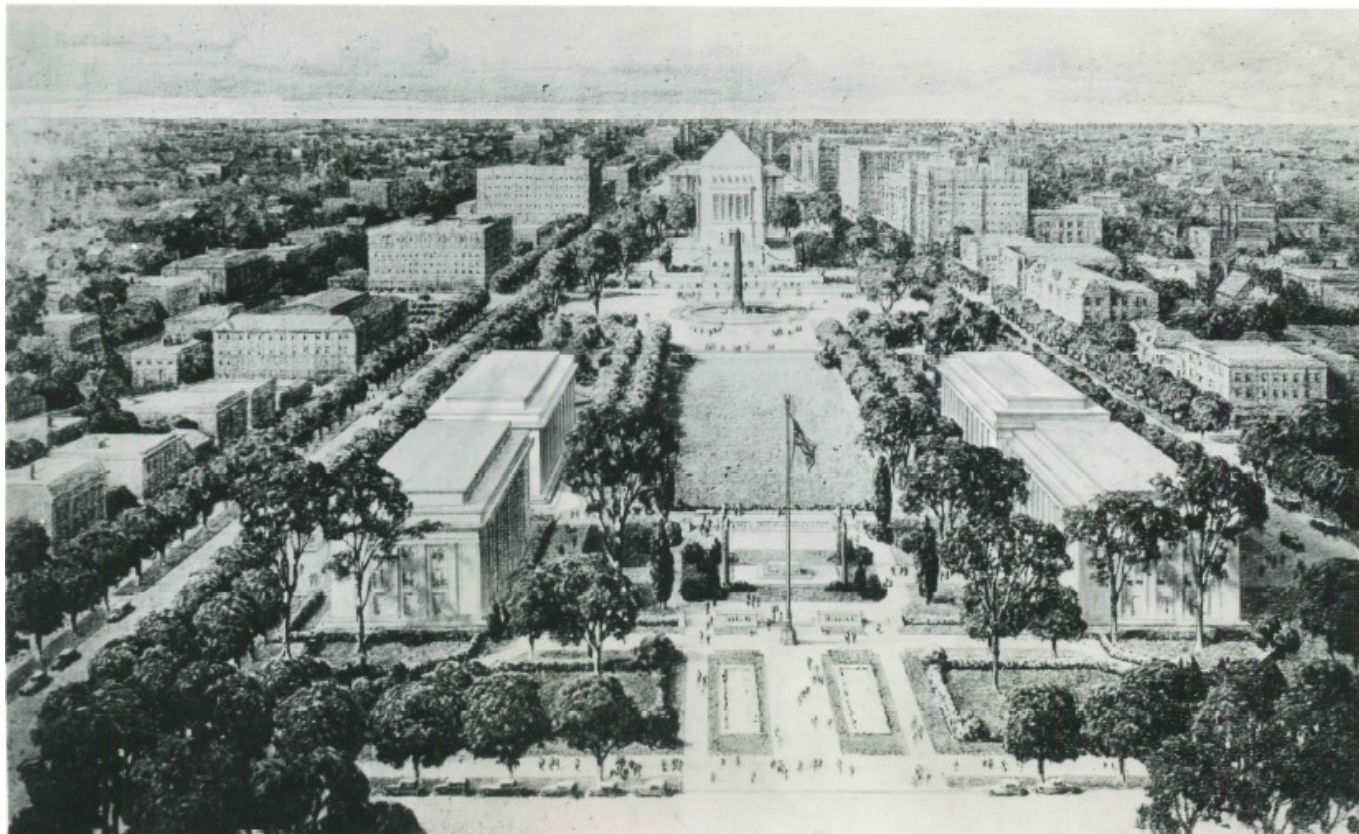


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Undated, unsigned image of American Legion Mall

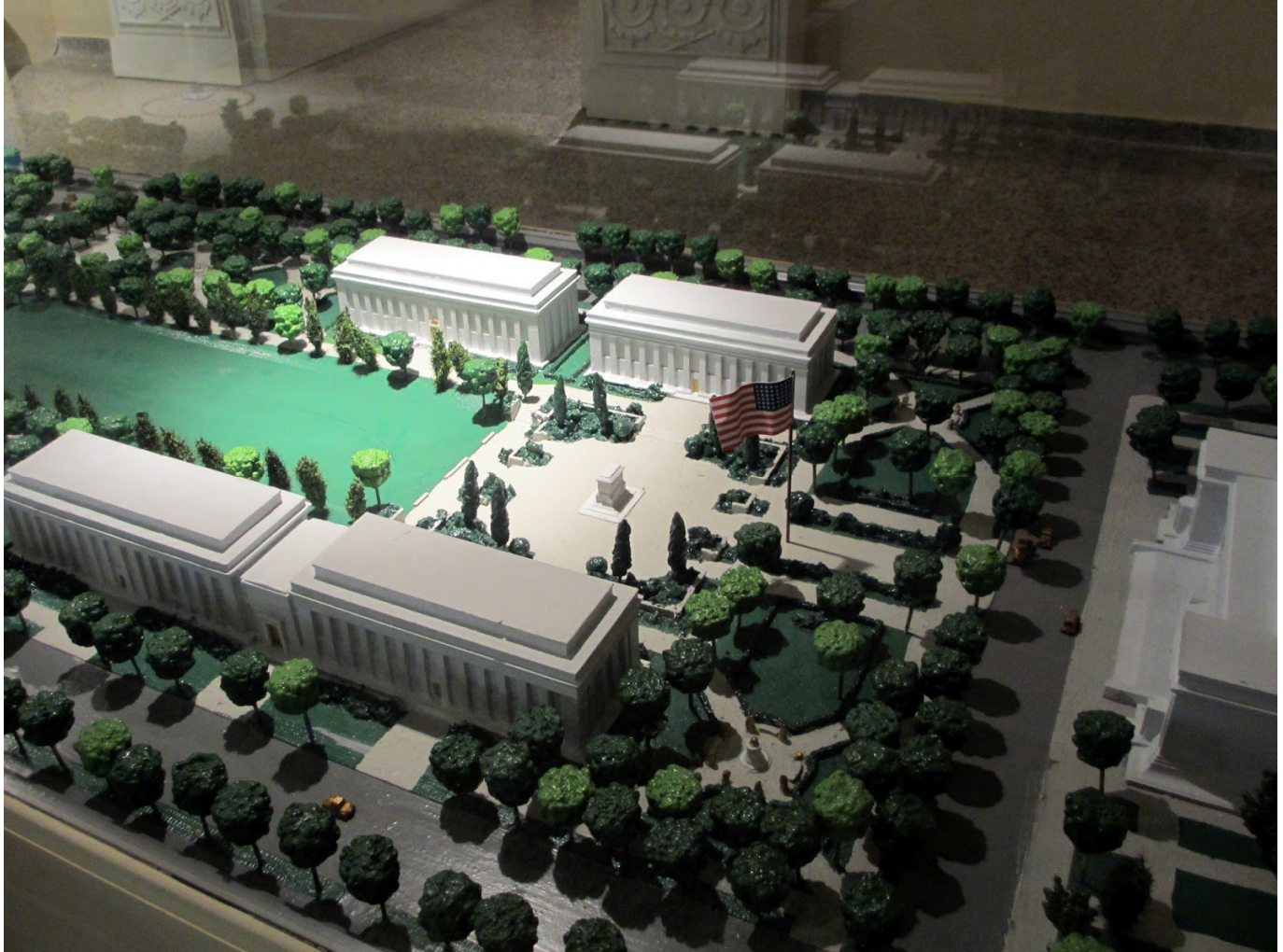


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Photograph of model located in War Memorial Museum